

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**HB 2629 - SB 2935**

February 16, 2004

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Encourages law enforcement agencies to open their shooting ranges for public use when not being used by law enforcement personnel. Provides for agencies to establish regulations and a reasonable fee for persons or organizations using such ranges. Specifies that agencies may require users to make improvements to the range.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - Exceeds \$100,000 / Permissive**  
**Increase State Revenues - Exceeds \$100,000 / Permissive**

**Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Exceeds \$100,000 / Permissive**  
**Increase Local Govt. Revenues - Exceeds \$100,000 / Permissive**

Estimate assumes:

- to the extent state agencies choose to make ranges available to the public, there will be an increase in state expenditures for the costs to equip, staff, and maintain law enforcement ranges, including the range at the Law Enforcement Training Academy and the Department of Environment and Conservation's ranger qualifying ranges.
- to the extent local law enforcement agencies choose to make their ranges available, they will experience an increase in expenditures for costs to equip, maintain, staff and insure such ranges, including costs to address environmental concerns.
- agencies making their ranges available may also experience additional legal costs from liability for public use of such ranges.
- to the extent state and local law enforcement agencies choose to make their ranges open for public use, they will charge a fee that will cover the costs they incur.

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director

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